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1. REPS OF FRG, FRANCE, UK AND US MET MORNING OCTOBER 10
TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION ON BERLIN ISSUES.

2. FRG REP REPORTED ORAL DEMARCHE OF HEAD OF USSR DEL,
CHAMCHIN TO SYG MILI AS PER PARA 1, REF D. ALLIES MADE POINT THAT
SOVIETS HAD AGREED TO CURRENT FORM OF FRG DELEGATION
LISTINGS AT FIRST SESSION OF CONFERENCE IN OCTOBER, 1974
AND SO SAW NO REASON FOR FRG TO AGREE TO ANY CHANGE. THEY
AGREED THAT FRG AND ALLIES COULD NOT ACCEPT SOVIET PROPOSAL RE
WEST BERLIN FREQUENCY LISTINGS BUT ALSO BELIEVED THAT MATTER WOULD
NOT LIKELY BE RAISED IN CONFERENCE BEFORE FINAL FEW WEEKS. AT ANY RATE,
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ALL WERE AGREED THAT FRG NEED NOT APPLY TO CHAMCHIN'S REQUEST RELAYED THROUGH MILI IN ANY GREAT HASTE.

3. US REP EXPLAINED SUBSTANCE OF REF B AUTHORIZING US TEAM TO MEET INFORMALLY WITH GDR REPS TO DISCUSS RIAS SITUATION ON TECHNICAL LEVEL. ALL AGREED SUCH APPROACH WOULD NOT BE HARMFUL AND COULD BE USEFUL. UK REP NOTED GDR HAD MADE SIMILAR APPROACH TO BRITISH, BUT UK AUTHORITIES RESPONDED THAT THEY WOULD NOT CONSIDER SUCH A MEETING UNTIL THE EAST GERMANS ADVISED THEM SPECIFICALLY IN ADVANCE WHAT ITEMS WOULD BE DISCUSSED. GDR NEVER RESPONDED. FRENCH REP NOTED MERELY THAT FRENCH HAD RECEIVED NO SUCH REQUEST FROM THE EAST GERMANS "IN GENEVA".

5. RE REF C, PARA 1, WE LEARNED FROM FRG REP THAT ONLY ONE REPEAT ONE SOVIET COMPLAINT WAS FILED WITH IFRB AND THAT WORDING OF THIS COMPLAINT WAS AS REPORTED IN GENEVA 7446 AND THAT STRONGER LANGUAGE REPORTED IN REF C WAS DUE TO FAULTY TRANSLATION IN BONN OF ORIGINAL IFRB ENGLISH TEXT INTO GERMAN THEN BACK INTO ENGLISH.

6. GDR MISSION WAS CONTACTED AFTERNOON OCTOBER 10; COUNSELLOR MICHEEL SAID HE WOULD RELAY US SUGGESTION FOR INFORMAL TECHNICAL MEETING WITH US TEAM TO HEAD OF GDR DELEGATION AND RESPOND MONDAY, OCTOBER 13. ABRAMS

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